

House Resolution No. 3378

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who admirably have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Ralph Dale of Excelsior Springs attained considerable distinction as a grocer who is now retired from that honorable profession; and

Whereas, Ralph Dale has enhanced his impressive record of civic- and service-minded endeavors through his membership in Lion's Club; and

Whereas, on Wednesday, May 18, 2005, Ralph Dale will receive well-deserved honors and accolades from his peers and colleagues when he is publicly recognized for having been a member of Lion's Club for an exceptional sixty-one years; and

Whereas, Ralph Dale joined Lion's Club in 1944 when most of the young men were of draft age and the membership and leadership changed rapidly, including the necessity to elect four different presidents in one year; and

Whereas, Lion's Club fund-raisers at that time consisted of broom sales, light bulb sales, horse shows, rodeos, donkey basketball, minstrel shows, and fashion shows in which the male Lion's Club members modeled women's clothing; and

Whereas, held at the high school auditorium or Beyer Theater, Lion's Club fund-raisers supported the member's interests in providing eyeglasses for school children, leader dogs for the blind, and the first street signs for the community of Excelsior Springs; and

Whereas, Ralph Dale is the beloved husband of Emma Dale; loving father of Linda Richardson, Larry Dale, and Lonnie Dale; and the devoted grandfather of five wonderful children:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the significant record of service garnered by Ralph Dale with Lion's Club and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations as he celebrates his Sixty-first Anniversary with that esteemed international organization; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Ralph Dale of Excelsior Springs, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Bob Nance
District No. 36

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 3378, adopted May 13, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker